

Washington, D.C. -- Congresswoman Linda Sánchez and the members of her staff today expressed their appreciation for the work of the office's four interns, Jubel Becerra, Jessica Gomez, Luis Medina and Freddy Rayos. The interns are from cities throughout the 39th congressional district.

"The young people who intern in my office worked very hard this semester for the people of my district," Congresswoman Linda Sánchez said. "They did an absolutely spectacular job helping us on everything from running the office to arranging events. I know each one of them has a bright future."

Jubel Becerra is a graduate student at California State Long Beach, where he is working toward his Masters in International Relations. Becerra hails from La Mirada and his overall goal is to eventually work for an international organization, or enter the field of academia.

"What I liked most about the internship was the firsthand experience of how federal politics affect people locally, something often overlooked in textbooks," Becerra said.

Jessica Gomez is a student at the University of California, Riverside, where she is majoring in Political Science. Upon graduating Gomez plans to pursue a Masters Degree in Public Policy. She is originally from La Mirada. "I really enjoyed being able to sit in on a meeting with the Congresswoman," Gomez said. "I also enjoyed helping out with events and doing outreach to constituents."

Luisa Medina is from South Gate. She currently attends school at St. Matthias High School where she is a junior. Medina plays on the school's varsity soccer team and was selected to play on a National team in Chicago on behalf of South Gate in 2006. "I learned new things everyday and I met new people who are interested in the community."

Freddy Rayos is a graduate of California State University Fullerton's Political Science program. He currently lives in Lakewood. Rayos is very active in youth issues and has spent time working with youth groups at many local churches. "I think the internship was very engaging," Rayos said. "I enjoyed being involved, working with the community with the Congresswoman's staff in a professional, challenging setting."

Maribel Angulo, a rising senior at the University of California, Santa Barbara majoring in Political Science and International Relations, spent the summer as an intern in the Congresswoman's Washington, D.C. office. Maribel is active in student volunteer organizations and community service projects. She fielded constituent calls, drafted letters and attended briefings for congressional staff while interning. "I believe that the most important lessons are learned through experiences," Angulo said. "The most rewarding aspect of working in a congressional office was seeing the behind-the-scenes workload entailed to craft, introduce and execute a bill in the House".

If students are interested in internship opportunities with Congresswoman Sánchez's district office please call 562-860-5050 or visit [lindasanchez.house.gov/internship](http://lindasanchez.house.gov/internship) for full details on the internship program. Students who are interested in Washington, D.C. internship opportunities

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